

TRACTION BOARD DEFERS BUSINESS

Postpones Hearing of Brightwood Complaint Until September.

OFFICIALS DISLIKE NOMINAL SALARIES

Having Given Services, Are Not Disposed to Evade Letter of the Law.

Complaints of Brightwood citizens against the service now accorded them in the matter of street car transportation have been set for a hearing in September. The hearing was to have been held today, and the members of the District Electric Railway Commission assembled to conduct it. The Brightwood people, however, telephoned a request that the hearing be postponed.

Gen. John M. Wilson, the chairman of the commission, is to leave Washington this week for a vacation, and will not return until about September 7. For this reason no public hearings will be held until after that date.

The fact developed today that the question of the legal status of the traction board is further complicated by an inclination on the part of the members to resent the present talk of their being paid a nominal salary. The Interstate Commerce Commission already has placed itself on record as deciding that the appointment of the sub-commission was legal.

Salaries Proposed.

The members of the Interstate Commerce Commission are inclined to believe, however, that by a mere technicality it may be wise to place the members of the District Electric Railway Commission on salaries. The law states that no gratuitous services shall be accepted by the Government. The point of view held in some quarters, that the appointment of the sub-commission was illegal, is now generally regarded as untenable.

There is likely to be some feeling between the traction board and the Interstate Commerce Commission if the members of the former are given a salary to overcome the supposed technicality of the law, that beginning they cheerfully consented to give their services free to work which they foresaw would be arduous. They contributed their services in a spirit of adding to the public welfare, and have therefore remained silent since their appointment was followed by protests of railway officials and certain members of Congress.

"If they offer me any 25 cents per day, I'll resign," said one of the members of the sub-commission today. "It would be only an evasion of the law, anyway."

Settlement In Full.

The matter of salary probably will remain unsettled for the summer, or until the regular meetings of the Interstate Commerce Commission are resumed. During the interim the meetings of the traction board, as already stated, will be omitted.

That considerable discussion will be needed to settle the matter is believed on all sides. In the first place, there is the legality of paying Commissioner West while he draws a salary as a District Commissioner is to be settled. General Wilson, too, draws pay now as a retired army officer.

Mr. Smith is the only member of the sub-commission who does not now receive pay from the Government. And still another phase of the situation is whether the members of the traction board would accept a salary, or another salary, as the case might be. They have not said they would, although they have indicated that the subject of a nominal figure is distasteful in the extreme.

Members Indignant.

The members were not seeking money, and it is pointed out that they were hardly in need of extra work when they assumed their new positions. One of them is an overworked member of the Board of District Commissioners, another is a busy merchant with little time to spare, and the third is a retired brigadier general of the United States army, who has been in public service for more than fifty years. None of them cares to have his name used in the matter, but that the three feel keenly on the subject of their being allowed a pittance in return for their efforts on behalf of the municipality is a fact.

H. C. Eddy, the executive officer of the Traction Board, is dividing his time for a few days between his duties as superintendent of the electrical department of the District and those as executive of the sub-commission. Today he received three more letters from citizens who are not satisfied with the present operation of the street railways.

One of these was from Willis L. Moore, head of the Weather Bureau, and now acting as Secretary of Agriculture. He is a resident of the District, and his name is on the list of those who have been asked to serve on the Rockville line, which he regards as inadequate.

This letter was referred to the traction board. Mr. Eddy is to make a careful, expert examination of all complaints and suggestions. Wherever possible, he will take up the subjects touched upon with the railroad corporations themselves. Matters which cannot thus be settled will come up for public hearings after cool weather has set in.

FIRE DAMAGES STABLE.

Fire of unknown origin, discovered in the stable in the rear of 733 Thirteenth street at an early hour this morning, damaged the building and contents to the extent of \$500. The stable was used as a storage room for wall paper.

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OUTINGS PLANNED BESIDES TWO CAMPS

\$2,440 More Needed to Pay Expense of Giving Children Fortnight in Country.

Interest in the summer outings for children and overworked mothers is being aroused more since the opening of Camp Good Will and Camp Pleasant, where, during the summer months, as many children and mothers will be given outings of two weeks. Many, however, cannot get away even for this brief rest, and again there are many whom the Associated Charities cannot accommodate in this way. In order that these mothers and children shall not be wholly left out of the provisions for the summer, a series of outings have been planned, and for this, as well as the further maintenance of the two camps, additional funds are needed.

Earlier in the season the summer outings committee announced that its most conservative estimate for these projects amounted to \$4,520. So far \$2,080 has been received, and it is believed by the committee that the public, now realizing the tremendous boon these outings are to the children and mothers, who otherwise would get no recreation, will contribute the remaining \$2,440.

Andrew Parker, treasurer of the summer outings committee, acknowledges the following contributions:

Twenty-three dollars proceeds of lawn fete held at Fairmont street University place for benefit of Camp Good Will, by Edna Wright, Minnie Saxton, Francis Peck, Louise Lipscomb, Dorothy Marsh, Linden Fatterson, William Jewell, Eugene Purdy, Raymond Peck.

Contributions received for Camp Pleasant:

The Rev. D. E. Wiseman, \$1.00; Thomas Walker, .50; St. Paul A. M. E. Church, .50.

For the general work of the summer outings committee:

Miss Mary T. Mitchell, \$5.00; Mrs. T. J. Evans, 10.00; Miss Etta M. Eaton, 2.00; Livingston Hunt, 2.00; J. Tyler Powell, 2.00; Fred T. Schneider, 1.00; Dumbarton Avenue Methodist Episcopal Sunday School, 5.00; Miss Emily B. Coyle, 5.00; Samuel H. Hardwick, 5.00; Mrs. Kate S. Freeman, 5.00; Cameron Beck, 5.00; Robert Cook, 5.00; Victor Kaufmann, 20.00; David Rittenhouse, 20.00; Miss E. C. Westcott, 1.50.

Everything is being done at both camps to give the mothers a complete rest and the children a good time. The days are not long enough for them and every minute finds a new pleasure.

ACCOUNTED FOR.

"Our lawn mowers don't seem to be selling at all," said a man. "My clerks are all married men." "What's that got to do with it?" "They don't like to push 'em."—Exchange.

MINNEAPOLIS, July 16.—Reuben Emanuel Fremstad, brother of Olive Fremstad, the grand opera singer, has enlisted as a musician at the local United States naval recruiting station and is now on his way to the training station at San Francisco.

Reuben came to Minneapolis from Grantsburg, Wis., and took his examination. His sister's name as the next of kin is written on the application for enlistment as Mme. Olive Fremstad Suthren. She is now in Munich with a grand opera company.

"My main idea in enlisting," said Fremstad, "is to see something of the world, and I may be lucky enough to meet my sister during my travels."

ATTACK ON WOMAN LAD TO HUSBAND

William Fraser Arrested by Authorities of Indian Head.

After working for two months in an effort to clear up the mystery surrounding the attack on Mrs. Margaret Fraser, in her home, at Indian Head, Md., on the night of May 12, Charles county authorities have arrested the woman's husband, William Fraser, an acid mixer in the Government smokeless powder factory, on a charge of assault. The arrest was made on information obtained by a detective agency.

Emphatically denying the accusation, and asserting that he will be able to prove his innocence, when the case is called for trial, Fraser was released in \$500 bail last night for his appearance at the fall term of court.

The attack on Mrs. Fraser was one of the most brutal in the history of the county. The entire countryside was aroused, and if the guilty person had been captured at the time it is likely that summary justice would have been dealt him. Armed with shotguns, revolvers, and pitchforks citizens of the little village scoured the country for days looking for the woman's assailant.

Fraser works at the powder factory from 6 o'clock in the afternoon until midnight. Mrs. Fraser and her young son were alone in the house on the night of May 12. Shortly before midnight she was awakened by being struck a stunning blow over the head with some heavy instrument.

Although dazed, she was able to sit up in bed long enough to see a man standing over her with a stick in his hands. The attack was continued until she was beaten almost into unconsciousness. The man then ran from the room and left the house by the rear door.

Escaping from several wounds, she put her head out of the window and called for help. Neighbors hurried to the assistance. Mrs. Fraser was unable to give a description of her assailant, but it was at first thought the man was a negro. Later this theory was discarded.

Hurricane Branch and his famous man-hunting bloodhounds were sent for and put on the trail. The dogs took the scent at the back of the house and went directly to the acid works connected with the powder factory. It was learned that Fraser was absent from work for a few minutes shortly after 11 o'clock, but it was not believed he was gone long enough to go home through the woods and get back before 12 o'clock. He vigorously denied that he went home during the time he was away from work.

NOT INDEMNIFIABLE.

The unhappy man was now seeking to recover, under the Employers' Liability Act.

"My boss," he testified, "raised my wages, and I got married. No, I swear I shouldn't have got married if he hadn't raised my wages."

But the court held, after hearing all the evidence, that the plaintiff had been guilty of contributory negligence; and the suit was dismissed.—Puck.

J. G. Pattee Company

Store Closes 5 P. M. Saturday, 1 P. M.

Special Budget of Bargains for Friday

The Entire Stock of the Danzig Manufacturing Co., of New York, at Prices Averaging Less Than Half Regular

We have purchased from the above concern their entire made-up stock of Summer Suits, Costumes, and Waists at prices averaging less than half. We offer this purchase tomorrow at unheard-of prices.

Remember, these are all new, fresh garments, made up within the past two weeks. No showworn garments in the lot. COME EARLY TOMORROW. You're sure to find in one or more of the groups "just what you want."

Group 1, at \$2.98

18 Lingerie Gowns, made of fine Lawns with neat insertions of dainty lace; mostly large sizes. Regular prices up to \$7.50.

50 Handsome Lingerie Waists in several models, elaborately trimmed with lace; all sizes. Regular prices up to \$9.75.

45 Silk Slips of fine taffetas, in all desirable shades, also a few of dainty summer silks in plain colors and neat stripes. Regular prices up to \$7.50.

Group 2, at \$5.00

9 Foulard one-piece Dresses, of fine materials, mostly dark colors and medium sizes. Regular prices up to \$12.00.

9 Silk Slips of white, light blue and pink, to be worn under lingerie gowns; very popular this season. Regular prices up to \$10.00.

Group 3, at \$6.75

25 Tailored Linen and Imported Rep Suits in white, natural, light blue, and lavender; handsomely trimmed. Regular prices up to \$15.00.

15 One-piece Dresses of fine linens in plain colors and nobly stripes, also a few of imported reps, handsomely embroidered. Regular prices up to \$15.00.

95 Exquisite Waists, made of handsome laces in a wide range of styles and colors. A few fine black silk lace waists in this lot. Regular prices up to \$15.00.

Group 4, at \$8.75

45 Beautiful Lingerie Gowns, in all sizes and several up-to-date styles, handsome trimmings, mostly in white. Regular prices up to \$12.00.

27 One-piece Costumes of fine linens and imported reps, in white and colors; made in the most wanted styles of the season. Regular prices up to \$20.00.

25 Tailored Cloth Suits. The entire balance of our own stock of cloth suits; all different styles. Formerly priced up to \$35.00.

Group 5, at \$10.98

28 Tailored Linen Suits, made of pure linen, in white and colors in a number of styles, handsomely trimmed. Regular prices up to \$30.00.

45 Handsome Silk Costumes in foulards, taffetas, and fancy pongees, exquisitely trimmed. All desirable colorings to choose from. Regular prices up to \$35.00.

22 Lingerie Gowns of finest quality imported batistes and silk mulls, in both white and colors. Trimmings of the daintiest laces imaginable. Regular prices up to \$35.00.

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Proctor & Gamble's Oile Soap, Star Soap, Brooke's Crystal Soap, Pearlina, Gold Dust, Household Ammonia, Red Seal Lye, Ball Blue, Stove Polish, 50 Cents 34c
\$8.50 Cuts Gas Ranges, with drilled burners and large lined oven \$5.98
\$18.50 York Gas Ranges, five drilled burners, large broiler and two lined ovens \$15.75
\$1.50 Gas Stoves, with color double burners, nickel plated \$1.24
\$2.50 B. & B. Blue Flame Oil Cook Stoves, with two burners \$2.79

Coupons for Friday Only

This Palais Royal Coupon and seven (7) cents entitles bearer to one 2c Oval Ham Boiler with cover. Good only for Friday, July 17, 1908.

25c Galvanized Iron Garbage Pail, with cover; family size 29c
25c Iron Preserving Kettles, lined with white enamel, 5-quart size 29c
25c Gray Enamelled Tea Kettle, full size 29c
25c for six rolls of best quality Toilet Paper and nickel plated holder 25c
25c Pure Flaxen Brooms, 4 sewed, good quality 14c
25c Patent Self-wringing Mop and Handle 23c
25c Imported Market Basket with cover, strongly made 19c

Coupons for Friday Only

This Palais Royal Coupon and thirteen (13) cents entitles bearer to one 3c Glass Berry Set, large bowl and six saucers, to match. Good only for Friday, July 17, 1908.

\$2.25 Chamber Sets, 10 pieces, large size, decorated in assorted \$1.48
\$5.50 Dinner and Tea Sets, 100 pieces, handsomely decorated in \$5.98
\$15.50 Carlsbad China Dinner and Tea Sets, 100 pieces, floral and gold decorations \$12.75
\$10.00 Tea Sets, 56 pieces \$2.98
20c White Stone China Slop Jars, with cover and ball handle 39c
25c Crystal Glass Fruit Sets, bowl and six saucers to match 13c

Coupons for Friday Only

This Palais Royal Coupon and nine (9) cents entitles bearer to one 19c Galvanized Iron Water Pail, 8 quart size. Good only for Friday, July 17, 1908.

Name and Address Free

Trunks and Bags can be marked with your name and address while you wait. Take elevator or stairway to Basement Floor.

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Fastening by a patented lever process and secured by an automatic lock, the new trunk strap is perfection. Traveling Trunks, canvas covered, full size, strongly made, with iron bottom. \$1.69
High grade Traveling Trunks, fiber bound, extra heavy brass trimmings, brass lock and two leather straps. Sizes 24 and 36 inches. Worth \$6.48 \$5.98
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Steamer Trunks, canvas covered, iron bottom and brass lock. \$1.98
Steamer Trunk, fiber bound, heavy brass trimmings, extra heavy brass lock, heavy bolts and catches, linen lined, with two leather straps. \$5.98
Cowhide Suit Cases, made on steel frame, best brass lock and \$3.98
Cowhide Suit Cases, hand sewed, with two leather straps. \$4.97
Matting Suit Cases, leather trimmed, brass lock and catches. \$1.88
Suit Cases with leather handle, brass lock and catches. \$1.67
Mittling Hand Bags, light weight, but durable. 98c

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